Vulnerable and sensitive sections/stations of affected States have been identified and patrolling by Government Railway Police, State Police and Railway Protection Force has been intensified.

Periodical meetings with State Administrations of affected States and police authorities are being regularly held by Railway Administration to formulate effective joint strategy to combat the problem of Naxal/Maoists attack over Railway system.

Sharing of intelligence between RPF, GRP and Intelligence Bureau of affected States have been given priority to combat Maoists attack on Railways.

Guarding of vital installations and bridges has been intensified in vulnerable and sensitive areas.

New Railway line in Assam

1670. SHRI KUMAR DEEPAK DAS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

whether his Ministry is considering new proposal for opening of new railway line in Assam;

whether his Ministry would conduct survey for consideration of the openings of new railway line through Barpeta, Hajo, Swalkuchi to Guwahati from Jogigopha extending the new proposed railway line from Mainaguri to Jogigopha, considering the historical importance and tourism development of those places; and

whether his Ministry has received a number of representations demanding Bijni a sub divisional headquarter in the State of Assam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) Based on demands, surveys have been taken up for new lines in Assam.

No such survey is proposed to be taken up.

No, Sir.

Electrification of railway lines in Tamil Nadu

1671. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

whether Tamil Nadu is the most backward State in electrification of railway lines;

if so, the length of railway line electrified out of the total length of railway line in the State;

whether there is any proposal to electrify all the railway lines in the State during the Eleventh Plan; and

if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU). (a) and (b) No, Sir. Out of total 4121 route kilometres, 899 route kilometres are electrified in the State of Tamil Nadu.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. Electrification of Villupuram-Tiruchirappalli-Madurai,